Morning and Evening PRAYERS FOR FAMILIES AND Private Persons.

AS

Masters, Mistresses, Children, and *Servants.*

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For *Families* and *Private Persons*, &c.

A Morning Prayer for a Family.

Moſt Glorious and Eternal God, Thou art Righteous in all thy Ways, and Holy in all thy Works, infinite in Mercy and Goodneſs to all that call upon Thee in Truth, and haſt promiſed that where two or three are gathered together in thy Name, Thou wilt be in the midſt of them: Look down, we beſeech

Thee, upon us thy unworthy Servants, who are here before Thee, to preſent unto thy divine Majeſty, the Morning Sacrifice of our unfeigned Praiſes, acknowledging that in Thee we live, and move, and have our Being; and that from thy bountiful Hand we have received all the good things we enjoy, and by thy good Providence are defended from all the Evils we deſerve. We deſire, O Lord, in an humble Senſe of thy great Goodneſs towards us, to bleſs and praiſe thy holy Name; particularly, we adore thy glorious Majeſty for preſerving us the Night paſt, for raiſing us up in Health and Safety, and giving us this Opportunity of calling upon thy Name.

Give us Grace, O Lord, we humbly beſeech Thee, to make a right Uſe and Improvement of theſe, and all thy other Mercies; and grant that we may henceforward live as becomes the Servants of Chriſt, by denying all Ungodlineſs and worldly Luſts, and living ſoberly, righteouſly and godly in this preſent World.

And becauſe we are not able of our ſelves to pleaſe Thee, vouchſaf

s, we beſeech Thee, the Aſſiſtance
f thy holy Spirit, enabling us to
ithſtand all the Enemies and Hin-
rances of our Salvation.

Enlighten our Underſtandings,
hat we may know Thee; ſanctify
ur Affections, that we may love
hee; and put thy Fear into our
earts, that we may dread to offend
hee: Convince us throughly, O
ord, of the great Evil of Sin, that
e may endeavour in all things to
bey thy bleſſed Will, and to walk
efore Thee in Holineſs and Righte-
uſneſs all our Days.

Wean our Affections, O Lord,
rom the things of this World; and
hatever our State and Condition
ay be here, give us Grace there-
ith to be content: In all our Paſſage
hrough this Life, and our manifold
oncerns about it, grant that in do-
ng our Duty, we may make thee
ur only Stay and Confidence, our
ope and our Truſt, caſting all our
are upon Thee, and entirely reſign-
ng our ſelves to thy good Providence
n all things. Let our chief Aim and
ndeavour be, to ſecure the Salvation
f our Souls, and to provide for that

time, when all earthly Comforts ſhall vaniſh away.

A Prayer for God's Bleſſing and Protection the enſuing Day, to be ſaid every Day but Sunday.

We humbly commend our ſelves, and all our Affairs, this Day, to thy Bleſſing and Protection. Enable us, O Lord, to diſcharge the Duties of our ſeveral Stations, and, in all things, to keep a Conſcience void of Offence towards Thee, and towards Man. Be with us in our going out and coming in, that no Caſualty or Evil-accident may come near to hurt us. Give us ſuch a meaſure of Health, and other temporal Bleſſings, as Thou ſeeſt beſt and moſt expedient for us; but above all things, give us thy Grace and Favour, that our Lives may be holy and comfortable here, and our eternal State happy and glorious with Thee hereafter; through the Merits, and for the Sake of thy dear Son, *Jeſus Chriſt* our Lord; who, in Compaſſion to our Infirmities, has taught us thus to pray:

OUR Father, which art in Heaven; Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth,

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as it is in Heaven. Give us this Day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into Temptation, but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

This is to be uſed on Sunday *Morning, inſtead of the Prayer for God's Bleſſing.*

AND ſince Thou haſt graciouſly brought us to this Day, on which Thou haſt appointed us to reſt from the Works of our Calling, and to keep Holy to thy Service, we beſeech Thee take us into thy holy Protection and Guidance. Grant us Grace to withdraw our Minds from the Cares, and Buſineſs, and Pleaſures of this Life, and to ſet them on things above, and on that Life we muſt live for ever, either in Happineſs or Miſery, according as we demean our ſelves in this World, and make uſe of the means of Grace Thou art pleaſed to afford us. Let us regularly attend thy Worſhip in the publick Aſſemblies of the Church; not out of Cuſtom, but of true Devotion

and Piety, and with due Regard to thy Glory, and the Salvation of our own Souls. To which End, let thy Holy Spirit accompany every one of us, and make us devout and serious in thy Service, and attentive in hearing thy holy Word read and preached. Let thy holy Spirit direct him, whom Thou haſt ſet over us in the Lord, that, by Soundneſs of Doctrine, he may ſhew forth thy Glory, and ſet forward our Salvation.

And while we are at Home, let us employ our Time in Prayers, and Praiſes, and Thankſgivings, for thy Works of Creation and Redemption, and for thy particular Providence and Mercies to us, through the whole Courſe of our Lives; and in reading and meditating on thy holy Word, in order to amend our Lives thereby; and in inſtructing and furthering the Salvation of others; and in the Exerciſe of all other Works of Charity and Devotion, as we ſhall have Opportunity and Ability to perform.

And grant that in the Performance of theſe great and neceſſary Concerns of our Souls, no Soureneſs or Moroſeneſs may mingle therewith; but that

we may ſhew ſuch a Cheerfulneſs of Temper, and even Joy in the Holy Ghoſt, as may adorn the Chriſtian Profeſſion, and recommend the Goſpel to thoſe who are as yet Strangers to the Power thereof. And mercifully grant that, by living holily in this, and all the reſt of our Days, we may be admitted into thy everlaſting Kingdom, through *Jeſus Chriſt* our Lord. In whoſe Name and Words we conclude our Prayers.

Our Father, &c.

An Evening Prayer for a Family.

O Moſt Glorious and Ever-bleſſed Lord God, who inhabiteſt Eternity, and dwelleſt in that Light which no mortal Eye can approach; we thy ſinful Servants, kneeling before Thee, acknowledge that we are not worthy to appear in thy Preſence, nor ſo much as to lift up our Eyes to that Place of Purity where Thou dwelleſt.

O Lord, though we are thus unworthy to ſpeak unto Thee; yet ſo infinite and condeſcending is thy Goodneſs, as to encourage our Ad-

dreſſes to Thee, by many gracious Promiſes of Favour and Acceptance. With humble Confidence then, O Lord, we preſume to approach the Throne of thy Grace, beſeeching Thee, in the Name, and for the Sake of thy beloved Son, to be merciful unto us in the Pardon and Forgiveneſs of all our Sins. We acknowledge, O Lord, that we have acted fooliſhly and wickedly, by doing thoſe things which Thou haſt forbidden, and by neglecting to do thoſe things which Thou haſt commanded; O let that Mercy of Thine, which has ſpar'd us ſo long, lead us to Repentance, that we may forſake our evil Ways, and turn unto Thee the Lord our God.

Give us Grace, O Lord, ſeriouſly to conſider the great Work we have to do, and the Uncertainty of that Time which Thou haſt given us to perform it in, that we may not be fooliſh as to conſume our Days in Vanity and Folly, in gratifying our corrupt Inclinations, and indulging our vicious Appetites.

Shew us the Foulneſs and Deformity of Sin, and poſſeſs our Minds with ſuch a lively Senſe of thoſe dreadful

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Threatnings Thou haſt denounc'd againſt it; that we may abhor and forſake every evil Way, and give up our ſelves to the Love and Obedience of thy Commandments, making it the great Study and Buſineſs of our Lives to ſerve and pleaſe Thee in all things.

Give us honeſt and upright Hearts, ſuch as no Intereſt can ſeduce, no Advantage prevail upon, to depart from the Ways of Truth and Juſtice: And to that End, reſtrain us from all immoderate Deſires of the things of this World; from all Pride and Covetouſneſs, from Envy, Hatred, and Malice, and from all Evil-ſpeaking, Lying, and Slandering. O be Thou pleaſed ſo to conduct us by thy good Spirit, through all the Buſineſſes and Employments, through all the Calamities and Troubles of this Life, that (whatever our Condition may be in this World) we may attain that Happineſs which Thou haſt prepared for them that love Thee.

O Lord, we pray not for our ſelves alone, but do beſeech Thee likewiſe to extend thy Mercy to the whole Race of Mankind. Have Pity upon

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all that are in Ignorance and Error upon thoſe that know Thee not, and have never heard of thy Name; viſit them, O Lord, with thy Salvation.

Be more eſpecially gracious to this Church and Nation to which we belong; give us all Grace ſeriouſly to repent of the Evil of our Ways; and grant that Religion and Virtue, Peace and Charity, may for ever flouriſh and encreaſe amongſt us.

Bleſs our Sovereign Lord King *George*, his Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales*, the Princeſs, and their Iſſue, and all the Royal Family. Bleſs likewiſe all that are put in Authority both in Church and State; may all their Deſigns tend to the Advancement of thy Glory, and the Happineſs and Proſperity of theſe Kingdoms.

Look with Pity and Compaſſion, O Lord, upon all thy afflicted Servants every where; ſtrengthen and ſupport them under all their Calamities, and give them, in thy good Time, a happy Deliverance out of all their Troubles.

Be merciful and gracious, O God, to all our Relations, Friends, and Acquaintance, and to all that deſire

or need our Prayers; forgive our Enemies, reward our Benefactors; and grant that we, and all thy People every where, may ſerve Thee, from the higheſt to the loweſt, and at laſt be made Partakers of everlaſting Happineſs.

To theſe our Prayers and Interceſſions we deſire likewiſe, O Lord, to add the Sacrifice of our unfeigned Praiſes to thy divine Majeſty, acknowledging it to be our bounden Duty and Service, at all Times, and in all Places, to give Thanks unto Thee, O Lord, to whoſe infinite Goodneſs and Mercy, we owe all the Comforts of this Life, and all the Hopes and Expectations of a better. Bleſſed be thy Name, O God, for the Continuance of thy Mercies to us this Day: But above all, for thine ineſtimable Love in the Redemption of the World by our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. Continue to us thy gracious Favour and Protection, that no evil Accident may come near to hurt us. Give us quiet and refreſhing Sleep, ſuch as may fit us for the Duties of the Day following: And if Thou art pleas'd to add another Day to our Lives,

grant that we may improve it to thy Glory, and the Benefit of our precious Souls, and to the promoting the Good of our Neighbour, as we have Opportunity, through *Jesus Christ* our Blessed Lord and only Saviour, who, in Compassion to our Infirmities, has taught us thus to pray. *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer that may be added, when any are Sick in the Family.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, to be merciful and gracious to *Him* of this Family, visited with Sickness: And grant that *he* and we may bear the same patiently, and with due Submission to thy holy Will, considering that it is thy Doing. And also that *he* and we remembring our true State, and that Account we must give to Thee, our righteous Judge, may seriously examine our selves and our Estates, both towards Thee and towards Men; so that by accusing and condemning our Selves for our own Faults, and by rectifying, as far as by thy Grace we are able, what we find amiss, none of us may be accused and condemned at that fearful Judgment.

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And for as much as all Means uſed for *his* Recovery will be in vain, without thy Bleſſing; we beſeech Thee to bleſs them to *him*, that by the Help thereof and thy Favour, *he* may recover *his* Bodily Health, if it be thy bleſſed Will, and, by thy Grace, may make a due Uſe of this Affliction, by living all the Remainder of *his* Life faithfully, according to thy Will. Grant this for Jeſus Chriſt's Sake. *Amen.*

This to be added when there is any Danger of Death.

But if Thou ſhalt pleaſe to remove *him* hence, let it not be without true Repentance, and thy gracious Pardon of all *his* Sins; renew in *him*, moſt loving Father, whatſoever hath been decay'd by the Fraud or Malice of the Devil, or by *his* own carnal Will and Frailneſs; withdraw his Mind and Heart from all things here below, and ſet them on Thee, and thoſe things which are above; let *him* cheerfully reſign all that belong unto *him*, or depend on *him*, into thy Hands, and grant *him* perfect Reſignation to thy holy Will.

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Preſerve *him* in the Faith and Limits of thy holy Church, and grant *him* perfect Love and Charity with all the World. Accept *his* Prayers, moſt gracious and merciful God, conſider *his* Sorrows, and aſſwage *his* Pains, and ſtrengthen *him* with thy holy Spirit in the inner Man: Grant *him* Peace of Conſcience, and a well-grounded Hope and Confidence in thy Mercy, through *Jeſus Chriſt* our Saviour; and that the Second Death may have no Power over *him*; but that to *him* an Entrance may be granted into thy everlaſting Kingdom, through the Merits of *Chriſt* our Lord. *Amen.*

A Morning Prayer for a Perſon in private.

O Moſt gracious God, who art the Author of all the good things that I enjoy; by Thee I live, and move, and have my Being: And to thy good Providence I muſt aſcribe it, that I am now in Health and Safety; that I have enjoy'd the comfortable Refreſh-

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ments of the Night paſt; and that none of thoſe Evils which I have juſtly deſerved, have come nigh me, or my Dwelling: For theſe, O Lord, and all other thy Mercies, I deſire, in an humble Senſe of thy great Goodneſs, to adore and praiſe thy glorious Name.

I confeſs, O Lord, that I am not worthy of the Mercies Thou haſt beſtowed upon me. My Tranſgreſſions are great, and have been often repeated: But, O merciful Father, let not my Sins provoke Thee to leave me to my own Folly and Weakneſs. I lament and bewail before Thee that Corruption of my Nature, and know not where to fly for Relief and Succour, but unto Thee.

Forgive, I humbly pray Thee, whatever I have done amiſs; and ſo arm me for the Time to come with the powerful Aſſiſtances of thy Grace, that I may be enabled to overcome all the Temptations of the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil, and to walk worthy of that holy Name whereby I am called, denying all Ungodlineſs and worldly Luſts, and living ſoberly, righteouſly, and godlily in this preſent World. Grant,

Grant, O Lord, that as I have de
voted my ſelf to the Service of *Chri*
Jeſus, ſo I may walk in his Com
mandments, and have my Converſa
tion as becometh his Goſpel; that
may daily grow in Grace, and be con
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Goodneſs; and tho' Thou ſhould'ſt ſe
fit to deprive me of any, or even a
the Comforts of this Life; yet, O gra
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thy Favour, which is better than Li

ſelf: Whatever Thou ſeeſt fit to eprive me of, O take not from me, beſeech Thee, the Comforts of thy oly Spirit; but in all the Troubles nd Diſappointments of this World, all the Calamities and Trials I ſhall eet with here; be Thou my only efuge and Support, my Stay and ruſt, my Saviour and mighty Deli- erer; ſtand by me in all Trials, ſuc- our me in every Temptation, ſup- ort me in Diſcouragements, and ad- iſe me in all difficult Caſes; but a- ove all, O Lord, I moſt earneſtly be- ech Thee, that when the time of y Diſſolution draws nigh, and all ings here begin to fail me, Thou ould'ſt then vouchſafe to ſtrengthen nd ſupport me, and at laſt receive e into thy bleſſed Kingdom. Keep e, I moſt humbly beſeech Thee, is Day from all Evil; and grant at being in Safety under thy Pro- ction, I may be always holy and ac- ptable in thy Sight; in and thro' e Merits of my dear Redeemer, ho in his holy Goſpel has taught e to ſay,

Our Father, &c.

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To be added to the Morning Prayer on the Lord's Day.

IN an humble and thankful Senſe of thy Goodneſs, O Lord, I am going to thine Houſe, there to preſent my Soul and Body to Thee, in the Aſſembly of thy Saints.

Let thy Holy Spirit compoſe my Mind to a *ſerious* and *devout* Attention in all the Parts of thy divine Service: Let me praiſe thy Name with Cheerfulneſs, pray unto Thee with Earneſtneſs, and hear thy Word with Reverence, and practiſe it with Faithfulneſs; and vouchſafe more fully to inform me of my Duty, to correct and amend what is amiſs in me, to encourage and ſtrengthen my good Reſolutions, and to aſſiſt me in all well-doing for the Time to come, that ſo growing every Day better and better by my Communion with Thee I may become ſuch as Thou canſt love and delight in, and wilt reward at the great Day, for the Sake of thy Lord *Jeſus*. *Amen*.

" That your whole Life may be
" more exact, and you may have le
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to do, when you ſet a Time apart for more ſolemn Examination; I would adviſe you every Night to put ſome ſuch *Queſtions* as theſe to yourſelf, which for your Uſe I tranſcribe chiefly out of that excellent Book, entituled, *A Companion for the Feſtivals and Faſts of the Church.*

Short Heads of Examination for the Evening.

HOW have I ſpent the Day paſt? What Sin have I committed? Have I perform'd my Morning Devotions? and how?

Have I reſign'd my ſelf to the All-wiſe Government and Diſpoſal of God, to be ordered and ruled by him, and to do his Will?

Where other Opportunities have offered themſelves, how have I behaved my ſelf in relation to them?

Have I convers'd with Candor, Affability and Sincerity?

Have I kept at a Diſtance from Slander and Evil-ſpeaking?

Have I had ſufficient Care in my Commendation of others, ſo as to

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give no Encouragement to any evi
Practice?

How have I employ'd or improv'
my Time?

If I have engag'd in Affairs, wit
what Honesty and Fidelity have
discharged them?

If I have diverted my self, have
done it innocently, and within th
Bounds of Christian Moderation?

Have I been guilty of any Exce
in Eating, or Drinking, or Sleep?

What Mercies have I receiv'd
How thankful have I been, and am
for them?

What Temptations have I resisted

What Ground have I got of th
Sin that doth most easily beset me?

How have I govern'd my Passio
in the little Accidents that daily ha
pen to provoke me?

What Opportunities have I had
doing Good? and how have I im
prov'd them?

What Opportunities have I had
discouraging Evil? and how have
opposed it?

"To these Questions you may ad
"such others as you find useful.

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you recollect the whole Time of the Day from your Riſing, (for which a few Minutes before your Evening Devotions will ſuffice) you will very eaſily be enabled to anſwer the preceding Queſtions; and when you have done this, you muſt heartily beg God's Pardon for any Sins you have been guilty of, and ſhew yourſelf thankful for thoſe Bleſſings, reſpecting either this or another Life, which he hath beſtowed on you. For a more particular Examination, ſee a Book entituled, *A New Manual of Devotions, in three Parts*, Part II. p. 4, *&c.*

Evening Prayer for a Perſon in private.

O Eternal and infinitely glorious God, the great Creator, graci- Preſerver, and wiſe Governour of World; I thy ſinful and unwor- Servant, fall down before Thee at s Time, to preſent my Prayers and pplications to thy divine Majeſty. admire and adore the incompre- nſible Perfections of thy Nature, gratefully acknowledge thy mar-

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velous and undeserved Goodness to
wards me and all thy Creatures.
have nothing, O Lord, but what
have received from Thee: Thou free
ly gavest me my Being, and made
me capable to know, love, serve, an
enjoy Thee for ever; Thou hast con
tinued to me the Being which Tho
at first gavest me, delivering me fro
a Multitude of Evils, and bestowin
Mercies and Favours upon me, bot
for my Soul and Body, more than
can number: O that I had made R
turns unto Thee in any measure su
able to the Benefits I have receive
from Thee; that I had employ'd
thy Gifts to thy Honour and Glor
and never abused any of those Talen
entrusted to me. But alas! I wi
Shame acknowledge, that I have be
guilty of great Ingratitude towar
Thee; I have been an unprofitab
and unworthy Servant; I have ne
lected my Duty, followed the Inclin
tions of my corrupt Nature, and
stead of loving and delighting
Thee, I have been eager and pass
nate after the things of this Worl
Let thy Goodness and Forbearan
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ough I have render'd my ſelf un-
orthy of the leaſt of all thy Mercies;
t for the Sake of thy beloved Son,
whom Thou art well-pleaſed, ſpare
; O good Lord, ſpare me, and be
t angry with me for ever. Waſh
ay all my Sins in that Fountain
ich Thou haſt opened for Sin and
ncleanneſs, that there may be no-
ng to interpoſe between thy Mer-
and my poor Soul.

Lay not to my Charge, O merciful
d, the Sins which I have this Day
mitted; (*Name them in particular*)
not only pardon them, but give
Grace from henceforwards intire-
to leave and forſake them; and to
end my Life according to thy holy
ord.

Make me always mindful, that
ou art every where preſent, and
weſt my moſt ſecret Thoughts,
t I may fear to offend Thee, and
ng every Thought and Deſire to
Obedience of thy Will. Poſſeſs
O Lord, with a lively Senſe of
Frailty of my Life, the Certainty
a Judgment to come, the unſpeak-
Glories of Heaven, and the moſt
dful Torments of Hell, that I

may in good earneſt ſet about th
great Work of my Salvation, and n
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betwixt this Life and my eternal Stat
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with the greateſt Care and Circu
ſpection, that when the great a
terrible Day of the Lord ſhall com
I may be accepted by Him, and a
mitted to the Inheritance of the Sai
in Light.

Cauſe the Light of thy glori
Goſpel to ſhine throughout the Worl
and the Borders of thy Son's Kingdo
to be enlarged, by a ſpeedy Conve
ſion of *Jews*, *Turks*, and *Infidels*. R
move all Diſſentions and Diviſions
mong Chriſtians, and reſtore the Pr
ctice of univerſal Holineſs, Peac
and Love. Be more eſpecially grac
ous to this Church and Nation
which I belong: And herein to o
Sovereign Lord the King; fill hi
with ſound Wiſdom, godly Zeal, a

l other Christian Virtues, that He
ay be a Terror to evil Doers, and a
ewarder of them that do well. Bless
s Royal Highness the Prince of
ales, the Princess, and their Issue,
d all the Royal Family. Extend
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r any Affliction; send Relief to
ose that are in Want, Ease to those
at are in Pain, and Deliverance to
e oppressed and persecuted, especi-
y those that suffer for Righteous-
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for all my Friends and Relations,
all that pray for me, or have de-
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efreshment of a quiet and undistur-
d Sleep. Defend me from all Evil,
ore especially from the Evil of Sin,
d the Assaults of my spiritual Ene-
es, and let thy Goodness follow
all the Days of my Life, for Je-
s Christ's Sake; in whose Name
d Words I continue to pray,
Our Father, &c.

ACcept, O Lord, of that Dedica
tion I have made of my Sou
and Body to Thee, with Prayers an
Praises in the publick Congregation
Pardon all the wandring and ev
Thoughts, and all the unfit Action
I may have been guilty of in my At
tendance upon Thee. Preserve in m
always a religious Sense of The
wherever I am, or whatever I d
that thy holy Laws may be mo
deeply graven on my Heart. O tha
every Truth which I have learnt th
Day, may be so faithfully remembre
by me, as may make me more dil
gent in my Calling, more useful i
my Conversation, more dutiful in m
Relations, and more contented in a
Conditions; that so running in th
Way of thy Commandments, I ma
at length attain thy gracious Prom
ses, and be made Partaker of thy e
verlasting Kingdom, through *Jesu*
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a Child, to be use
Morning and Evening.

ALmighty God, who madest me
and hast preserved me to thi
Hour; I praise and glorify thy hol
Nam

me for all thy Mercies. O look
ciously upon me, and bless me;
give whatever I have done amiss;
give me Grace to remember and
in Practice my baptismal Vow,
renouncing the Devil and all
Works. Incline my Heart to that
ich is Good, and create in me an
er Dislike of all Evil. Put thy
ar and thy Love in my Soul, that I
serve Thee, and worship Thee,
keep thy Commandments.

Make me [*dutiful to my Father and
ther*] obedient to my Teachers;
mble and reverent to all my Bet-
s; meek and courteous to all Peo-
: And enable me to do to others,
I would have them do to me.

Preserve me from bearing Malice or
tred in my Heart, from Lying and
aling, Slandering and Evil-speak-
and all evil Thoughts, Words,
Actions. Guide me by thy Holy
rit, that I may live to thy Glory,
when I die, may attain everlast-
Life.

Lord, bless all my Relations and
ends, and save and defend them
me from all Dangers (*this Day,
ht*) and evermore, through *Jesus
ist* our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in Heaven Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this Day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into Temptation; but deliver us from Evil. For thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Morning Prayer for a young Perſon.

O Eternal God, and heavenly Father, Thou art the kind Author of my Being, be Thou the gracious Guide of my Life; my Age is ſimple and unexperienc'd, O be Thou pleas'd to inſpire me with true Wiſdom from above, that it may guide and direct me in all my Ways. I am come into a World full of Snares and Temptations, O do Thou fill me with the Knowledge and Love of thy Truth that it may keep me from the Ways that lead to Deſtruction. I render unto Thee unfeigned Thanks for all the Bleſſings I daily receive from Thee, and for thy particular Preſervation

tion and Refreshment of me this
ght past.

O Lord, have Thou Mercy upon
e, and forgive me all my Sins; and
ve me Grace to fly all youthful
sts, and to remember Thee my
eator in the Days of my Youth.

O possess my Heart with the Fear
Thee, and Dependance upon Thee.
t me always walk as in thy Presence,
nsidering that I must one Day die,
know not how soon) and render an
count of all the Actions of my
fe. Possess also my Heart, O my
od, with that natural Tenderness for
y Parents, and those that have the
re of me, and with that Christian
nse of my Duty towards them, that
y Language may be respectful, my
ctions dutiful, and my whole Beha-
our such, that I may not encrease
e Burthen and Care of their Lives,
t prove a Comfort and Blessing to
em.

Bless me, O Lord, in my Learning,
d deliver me from Sloth, and Idle-
ss, and ill Company, and from all
angers both of Body and Soul; and
lp me daily to encrease in Know-
dge, and Wisdom, and all Virtue.

I commend to thy divine Providence [*my Father and Mother, my Brethren and Sisters*] all my Friends and Relations, all in this Family, and all Mankind. Vouchsafe us, O gracious God, all those Graces and Blessings which Thou knowest to be most needful for us.

Unto Thee, O my God, do I dedicate my Soul and Body, beseeching Thee to take them into thy Care and Protection, that they may be always employ'd in thy Service, and to thy Glory; that having serv'd Thee faithfully in this Life, I may at last attain Life everlasting, through the Merits and Mediation of my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer, *Jesus Christ* our Lord; in whose holy Name and Words, I present my own, and the Wants of all Mankind, saying, *Our Father*, &c.

An Evening Prayer for a young Person.

O Almighty God, and merciful Father, who willingly heareſt the Prayers of all those that call upon Thee faithfully, I humbly beseech Thee to pardon whatsoever Thou hast

seen

ſeen amiſs in me this Day, in Thoughts, Words, or Actions, particularly

Here mention Particulars.

Aſſiſt me, O my God, in making it my conſtant Endeavour to reſiſt and conquer every evil Inclination within me, and every Temptation from without.

Help me daily to increaſe in the Knowledge and Love of Thee my God, and of my Saviour *Jeſus Chriſt*.

Shew me the Way in which I ſhould walk whilſt I am young, and grant that I may never depart from it.

Bleſs to me, I pray Thee, whatſoever good Inſtructions have at any Time been given me; help me carefully to remember them, and ſeriouſly to practiſe them, that I may be ever growing in Knowledge, in Wiſdom, and in Goodneſs.

Bleſs, and defend, and ſave the King, and all the Royal Family, and all Orders of Men amongſt us, from the higheſt to the loweſt. Lord, give them all Grace, in their ſeveral Stations, to be inſtrumental to thy Glory, and the publick Good.

Accept, O Lord, of my humbleſt Praiſe and Thankſgiving for all the

Goodneſs Thou haſt this Day, or at any Time, ſhewed me; for all the Helps of preventing or reſtraining Grace Thou haſt vouchſafed me; for whatever I have done, which is in any meaſure acceptable to Thee; for whatever Progreſs I have made in my Learning; for thy Preſervation of me from all the Miſeries and Dangers which frail Mortality is every Moment expoſed to; particularly for ———

Here mention any particular Mercy God has beſtowed upon you.

I humbly commit my Soul and Body to thy Care this Night, begging thy gracious Protection and Bleſſing.

And all theſe Mercies and Bleſſings which I ask for my ſelf, I heartily deſire for all my Relations and Friends, and for all Mankind; let it pleaſe Thee to guide us all in this Life preſent, and to conduct us ſafe to thy heavenly Kingdom, through *Jeſus Chriſt* our only Lord and Saviour; in whoſe moſt holy Name and Words, I conclude theſe my imperfect Prayers. *Our Father*, &c.

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O Lord my God, the great Creator and Preserver of all Mankind; I bless and praise thy holy Name for all thy Mercies to my Soul and Body. Thou hast given me another Day, O give me Grace to spend it to thy Honour and Glory: Enable me to work in it the Work for which Thou hast sent me into the World, before the Night of Death cometh, wherein I cannot work. Grant that I may not encrease the Number of my Transgressions, by running heedlesly or knowingly into the Commission of any Sin.

O God, Thou Witness of all my Actions, and Judge of all my Thoughts and Affections, what would become of me, if Thou shouldst enter into strict Judgment with me! How should I stand before thy Tribunal, cover'd with the Guilt and Shame of my Sins? Lord, I repent, increase Thou my Repentance. I repent of ——— O be Thou reconciled unto me, and pardon me, for the Sake of Jesus Christ. And not only pardon my Sins, but deliver me from the Power and Dominion of them:

Here mention those Sins which most burden thy Conscience.

them: I am conſcious to my ſelf of great Weakneſs and Frailty, O do Thou confirm and ſtrengthen me. Create in me a clean Heart, O God, and renew a right Spirit within me: Give me a true Faith, and enflame my Heart with a holy Love, that I may delight in thy Commandments, and walk before Thee in Uprightneſs and Fear, in Faithfulneſs and Honeſty, conſtantly and cheerfully depending upon Thee. Enable me to do the Duty of my Place, not with Eye-ſervice, but with Singleneſs of Heart, as knowing that I ſhall be accountable to Thee at the Day of Judgment, as well for thoſe Duties which I owe my Maſter and Miſtreſs, as for thoſe which are more immediately to be paid to Thee. O Lord, keep me from all opprobrious and reproachful Language, from all Lying and Slandering, and from all unjuſt and deceitful Actions; make me always thankful, humble, and contented, neither with-holding from Thee, the Praiſe due to thine infinite Bounty and Mercy; nor from Man, the Thanks due to him for any Act of Kindneſs or Charity towards me. Help me, O my God, ſo to walk before

fore Thee, that my Soul may enjoy a true Liberty, that my Life may be full of Comfort, my Death of Peace, and that I may attain eternal Glory, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

Bless this whole Family to which I belong, and sow in all our Hearts the Seeds of unfeigned Charity, that we may all enjoy the Comfort of a mutual Affection, and of a mutual Assistance and Aid, in our several Places; possess us with a just Sense of our Duty to Thee and Man; that we may be living Members of thy Blessed Son; and grant that being protected by thy Providence, directed by thy Word, and assisted by the Influence of thy Holy Spirit, we may be admitted into thy glorious Kingdom in Heaven, where we shall adore and praise Thee, love and enjoy Thee to all Eternity, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord; in whose holy Name and Words, I continue to pray: *Our Father*, &c.

An Evening Prayer for a Servant.

O My God, my Strength, and the Rock of my Salvation: How does my Soul praise Thee for thy great

great Goodneſs, and for all the precious Promiſes of thy Goſpel!

But, O my God, I have forgotten Thee, tho' Thou haſt given me my Being: I have forgotten Thee, tho' Thou gaveſt thine own Son to redeem me; not only to free me from the Puniſhment due to my Sins, but from the Slavery and Dominion of them, and to procure for me Life eternal; I have feared the Diſpleaſure of Man, whoſe Breath is in his Noſtrils, more than I have feared Thine, O thou juſt and holy Judge of Mankind: I have been more ſolicitous for the Bread that periſhes, than for thy Favour, which is better than Life it ſelf; I have ſinned againſt my Knowledge, thy Word, and the Motions of thy holy Spirit. I have been apt to repine and murmur at thy Providence, and be diſcontented in my Condition, particularly —— I repent, O my God, and, by the Aſſiſtance of thy Grace, will do Works meet for Repentance, and ſerve Thee in Truth, and with an upright Heart.

Here mention particular Sins.

Have Mercy upon me, O Lord, have Mercy upon me, and forgive me theſe, and all other my Offences, and

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give me Grace to keep my ſelf upon my Watch, and guard againſt them for the future: Enable me ſincerely to endeavour to reform and amend my Life, that I may every Day grow and increaſe in Goodneſs, and be ſo much the fitter for Death, the nearer I approach to it; and whenever it comes, let it find me, O Lord, in a Diſpoſition and Frame of Spirit fit to die, having an unſhaken Faith, with an humble Reſignation and Submiſſion of Mind, with a holy Contempt of Earth, and a devout Love of Heaven. Thou haſt called me to be a Servant, but Thou haſt called me to be a Son too, and an Heir of eternal Life, O give me Grace to be contented, and faithfully to diſcharge my Duty. Do Thou, who never ſlumbereſt nor ſleepeſt, watch over me, and this whole Family: Let thine Angels pitch their Tents about us this Night; let us lie down ſecurely, and let our Sleep be ſweet and refreſhing to us, for *Jeſus Chriſt*'s Sake; in whoſe Name and Words I beg all things needful both for my ſelf and all Mankind, particularly all that I am any Way bounden to pray for. *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer to be used by a Servant at any time of the Day; or that may be added to any other Devotions.

O Lord my God, Thou haſt made me, and doſt diſpoſe of all things in a wiſe and excellent Order; Thou haſt placed me in the Condition of a Servant; O grant that I may diſcharge the Duties of it zealouſly and faithfully. Enable me to employ and improve the Talents Thou haſt entruſted me with, to thy Glory, and the Good of my own Soul. Make me uſeful and ſerviceable, honeſt and diligent in the Station to which it has pleas'd Thee to call me. O ſuffer me not to fall into any Breach of Truſt with Man, leſt I fall under the Vengeance of Thee, my God.

Keep me, I beſeech Thee, from Pride and Frowardneſs, from Diſcontent and Murmuring; and give me a meek and humble Spirit.

O Thou Lover of Peace and Concord, enable me to live in that brotherly Affection, Unity and Concord with my Fellow Servants, that we may be a mutual Comfort and Aſſiſtance to one another, as well in our ſpiritual, as temporal Concerns. Lord,

Lord, let not my Soul, by any Connivance or Encouragement, or any other Act of mine, lie under the Guilt of being the Occaſion of the Diſcontent, or Ruine of any Family or Perſon; but make me an Inſtrument of Peace and Proſperity wherever I am: I know, O Lord, that Humility and Induſtry are Virtues, that are not ſo pleaſing to a carnal Mind; but do Thou make me ſenſible, how great the Recompence of Self-denial, and all other Virtues, will one Day be.

Make me, O Lord, to remember that I am always in thy Sight, and that Thou doſt ponder all my Paths, that I may be fully convinced, that both my temporal and eternal Intereſt depends upon the faithful and conſcientious Performance of my Duty; that ſo I may not be ſeduced or diſcouraged by any Temptation whatever; but ſtill looking up to God, and having regard to the Recompence of Reward, I may run with Patience the Race that is ſet before me, thro' *Jeſus Chriſt* our Lord. *Amen.*

Though theſe three laſt Prayers are particularly provided for the Uſe of Servants, yet they may properly make uſe of the other Morning and Evening Prayers for a Perſon in private, when they have Time and Opportunity ſo to do. A.

A Prayer at our first Entrance into the Church.

LORD, I am now in thy House; assist, I pray Thee, and accept of my Services. Enable me, and all who shall this Day meet in thy Name, to worship Thee in Spirit and in Truth. Let thy Holy Spirit help our Infirmities, and dispose our Hearts to Seriousness, Attention, and Devotion; and grant that we may improve this Opportunity to the Honour of thy holy Name, and the Benefit of our Souls, thro' *Jesus Christ* our Saviour. *Amen.*

A Prayer at Church, after the Service is ended.

BLessed be thy Name, O Lord, for this Opportunity of attending Thee, in thy House and Service. Grant that I, and all that profess thy Name, may be Doers of thy Word, and not Hearers only. Pardon our Wanderings and Imperfections; and accept both us and our Services, through our only Mediator *Jesus Christ*. *Amen.*

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A Grace before Meat.

BLESS to us, O Lord, these thy good Creatures which we are now about to receive. Give them Strength to nourish us, and us Grace to serve Thee, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord. *Amen.*

A Grace after Meat.

WE acknowledge, O God, our Dependance upon Thee, and give Thee Thanks for feeding us at this Time, and for all thy other Benefits. [Preserve thy Church, the King, the Royal Family, and these Realms, and grant us Grace, and Peace, and Life everlasting,] through *Jesus Christ* our Lord. *Amen.*

To supply the want of Prayers for particular Graces, it is thought convenient to add the following Table.

An Alphabetical TABLE *of the Weekly Collects in the Book of Common Prayer, reduc'd under proper Heads.*

A

Affliction.

PRAYERS for Deliverance from, and Support under, *Afflictions.* *Collects* for the 3*d* Sunday after *Epipha-*

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ny, 8*th* after *Trinity*, and 5*th* Sunday in *Lent*.

Angels.

A *Prayer* for the Guardianſhip of *Angels*. Collect for St. *Michael*.

Charity. See **Love.**

C.

Chaſtity.

A *Prayer* for *Chaſtity*. Collect for the 1*ſt* Sunday in *Lent*.

Chriſt.

A *Prayer* for the Imitation of *Chriſt*. Collect for the Sunday next before *Euſter*.

For the Benefit of his *Death*. Collect for the *Annunciation*.

Church.

Prayers for the univerſal *Church*. Collects for the 5*th* Sunday after *Epiphany*, St. *John*, and the two firſt Collects for *Good-Friday*.

For the Unity of the *Church*. Collect for St. *Simon* and *Jude*.

For the Peace of the *Church*. Collects for the 5*th*, 16*th*, and 22*d* Sundays after *Trinity*.

Comfort.

A *Prayer* for ſpiritual *Comfort*. Collect for the Sunday after the *Aſcenſion*.

Contrition.

A *Prayer* for *Contrition*. Collect for *Aſh-Wedneſday*.

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Covetousness.

A *Prayer* against *Covetousness.* Collect for St. *Matthew's* Day.

Courage.

A *Prayer* for Christian *Courage.* Collect for St. *John Baptist.*

E.

Enemies.

A *Prayer* for Deliverance from *Enemies.* Collect for the 3*d* Sunday in *Lent.*

F.

Faith.

Prayers for a right and firm *Faith.* Collects for *Trinity* Sunday, the 7*th* Sunday after *Trinity*, St. *Thomas*, and St. *Mark.*

For *Faith*, *Hope*, and *Charity.* Collect for the 14*th* Sunday after *Trinity.*

G.

Grace.

Prayers for *Grace* and *Assistance* in our Christian Course. Collects for the 4*th* Sunday in *Advent*, 2*d* in *Lent*, *Easter* Day, 3*d* Sunday after *Easter*, 1*st*, 7*th*, and 13*th* after *Trinity.*

H.

Heaven.

A *Prayer* for *heavenly* Desires. Collect for *Ascension* Day.

For Admittance to the Enjoyment of

of God in *Heaven.* Collects for the *Epiphany*, and the 6*th* Sunday after.

Humility.

A *Prayer* for *Humility* and *Patience.* Collect for the Sunday before *Easter.*

I.

Illumination.

Prayers for *Illumination*, or a right Judgment in all things. Collects for *Whitsunday*, 1*st* Sunday after *Epiphany*, and the 9*th* after *Trinity.*

Judgment.

Prayers for Deliverance from *Judgments.* Collects for *Septuagesima*, *Sexagesima*, and the 4*th* Sunday in *Lent.*

L.

Love.

Prayers for the *Love* of God, and his Laws. Collects for the 4*th* Sunday after *Easter*, and the 6*th* and 14*th* after *Trinity.*

For *Love* and *Charity.* Collect for *Quinquagesima* Sunday.

For *Faith*, *Hope*, and *Charity.* Collect for the 14*th* Sunday after *Trinity.*

M.

Ministers.

A *Prayer* for the Fitness of *Ministers.* Collect for St. *Matthias.*

That *they* may be diligent. Collect for St. *Peter*'s Day.

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That *their* Labours may be fuccefsful. Collect for the 3*d* Sunday in *Advent.*

Mortification.

Prayers for *Mortification.* Collects for *Circumcifion* and *Eafter* Eve.

Prayer.

For the Acceptance of our *Prayers.* Collect for the 10*th* Sunday after *Trinity.*

Providence.

Prayers for Protection by God's *Providence.* Collects for the 2*d*, 3*d*, 4*th*, and 20*th* Sundays after *Trinity.*

Purity.

A *Prayer* for *Purity* of Heart. Collect for the *Purification.*

R.

Regeneration.

A *Prayer* for it. Collect for *Chriftmas* Day.

S.

Saints.

Prayers for the Imitation of them. Collects for *Innocents* Day, St. *Stephen*, St. *Paul*, St. *Philip*, St. *James*, St. *John* Baptift, and *All-Saints.*

Scripture.

A *Prayer* before reading the *Scriptures.* Collect for the 2*d* Sunday in *Advent.*

Sin.

Prayers for *Converfion* from *Sin.* Collects

lects for the 1*st* Sunday in *Advent*, the 1*st* Sunday after *Easter*, St. *Andrew*, St. *James*, and St. *Matthew*.

For Pardon of *Sin*. Collects for the 12*th*, 21*st*, and 24*th* Sundays after *Trinity*.

Sincerity.

A *Prayer* for it. Collect for the 3*d* Sunday after *Easter*.

Holy Spirit.

Prayers for the Direction of the *Holy Spirit*. Collects for the 19*th* Sunday after *Trinity*, and 5*th* after *Easter*.

T

Temptations.

Prayers for *Deliverance* from, and *Support* under, *Temptations*. Collects for the 4*th* Sunday after *Epiphany*, and the 2*d* in *Lent*.

Thoughts.

A *Prayer* againſt evil *Thoughts*. Collect for the 5*th* Sunday after *Easter*.

U.

Unbelievers.

A *Prayer* for *Jews*, *Turks*, *Infidels*, and *Hereticks*. The 3*d* Collect for *Good-Friday*.

W

Good Works.

Prayers for Fruitfulneſs in good *Works*. Collects for the 5*th* Sunday after *Easter*, and the 1*ſt*, 9*th*, 11*th*, 13*th*, 17*th*, 25*th* Sundays after *Trinity*.

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